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Applicant: Scott McCuan, et al.  
Filing Date: 08-20-2003  
Title: Circular Conduit Opening Closure Device  
TC/AU: 3671  
Examiner: Pechhold, Alexandra K.

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

The following is submitted in response to Examiner's Action, Paper No. 20040923, dated  
October 6, 2004. Please amend the above identified application as follows:

## **AMENDMENTS**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.